any case, the second controller receives signals from the first controller related to the charging of the battery, and causes information, related to the charging of the battery, to be displayed. The system may also include a portable device housing that houses one or both of the controllers and an associated battery pack that houses the battery, as well as a charger for charging the battery. The system enables a user of the device to be apprised of charging status or other information related to the charging of the battery.—

REMARKS

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this submission, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (312) 707-8889.

Applicant believes that claims 1-55 are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowability is courteously solicited.

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